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Sir:

Applicants, by their attorneys, petition for a one-month extension of time to file a response to the office action dated September 20, 2002.

Submitted herewith is the patent application processing fee for a large entity of \$110.00.

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